

**PATENT APPLICATION**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q73675

Etsuko KADOWAKI, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/540,028

Group Art Unit: 1796

Confirmation No.: 8868

Examiner: Peter D. Mulcahy

Filed: June 22, 2005

For: CURABLE COMPOSITION, CURED PRODUCT THEREOF, MOLDED PRODUCT  
THEREOF AND USE AS FUEL CELL SEPARATOR

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION AND ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENTS**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This responds to the Restriction and Election of Species Requirement set forth in the office Action dated July 11, 2008. Also, Applicants note that an Amendment is being submitted concurrently herewith.

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants elect Group II, claims 16-22, for examination. This election is made without traverse.

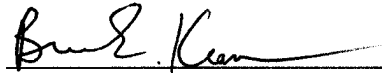
In response to the Election of Species Requirement, Applicants elect 1,2-polybutadiene for examination, on which all the claims are readable. Applicant submits that if the Examiner finds the elected species to be allowable, he should go on to examine the non-elected species per MPEP 803.02.

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Applicant submits that if any of the elected claims is found to be allowable, claims dependent therefrom should similarly be considered allowable in the same application.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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